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**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2431**

**PATENT**  
Attorney Docket No. 09947.0009

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Jun KITAHARA et al. ) Group Art Unit: 2431  
Application No.: 10/578,859 ) Examiner: Michael R. VAUGHAN  
Filed: May 11, 2006 ) Confirmation No.: 3333  
For: LICENSE MANAGEMENT METHOD, )  
INFORMATION PROCESSING )  
APPARATUS, INFORMATION )  
PROCESSING METHOD, AND )  
PROGRAM )

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed October 22, 2009, the period for response extending through January 22, 2010, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants propose to amend this application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment section of this paper.